



## ATTACHMENT A

### Remarks

With respect to the comments regarding an Information Disclosure Statement, it is noted that the reference cited in paragraph [0018] is of background interest only and no separate Information Disclosure Statement will be filed.

With respect to the specification, an additional heading and language generally corresponding to that proposed by the Examiner, have been incorporated in the specification after the title. The assistance of the Examiner in this regard is appreciated.

Claims 1-18 have been rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being "indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention." The claims have been extensively amended so as to address and overcome the specific criticisms raised. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are now fully in accordance with the requirements of 35 USC § 112, second paragraph.

Claims 2, 4, 7-9, 11, 15, and 16 have been rejected on "the ground of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1-3 of US Patent No. 6,683,914," it being contended that the claims, if allowed, would improperly extend the 'right to exclude' already granted in the patent."

A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith so as to overcome this rejection.

Claims 1-18 have been indicated to be "allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 USC § 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and timely filed a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.32(1)(c) or 1.321(d)."

Because all formal matters have been attended to and a suitable Terminal Disclaimer has been filed, this application should now be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any problems still remain, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the responsible attorney at the number given.